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Early in November 1954, rumors were being circulated that the East German Ministry of Heavy Industry was to move to Karlshorst. The proposal of this move came from Minister President Grotewohl who was of the opinion that the Ministry of Heavy Industry, which was scattered over five different locations, should be consolidated, if at all possible. The entire Ministry would be housed in Karlshorst in buildings formerly occupied by the SMAG;¹ the offices of the Minister, the State Secretary, and the Deputy Ministers would be in the so-called Staff Building (Stabs-Gebaeude).² The final decision was to have been made on 18 November, but was postponed to 25 November.

1. Comment. Probably an abbreviation for the Soviet Military Administration in Germany. 25X1
2. Comment. It is not known which building is meant.

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